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## **ABSTRACT**

A distributed decision processing method and a system for distributed decision processing. Alternative choices, criteria by which the alternative choices may be evaluated, weights indicating importance of criteria and evaluations corresponding to possible attributes of the criteria are received via a data network in a computer system. A relative analysis of the alternative choices is provided based on the set of evaluations and the set of weights. Alternatives are ranked based on a score derived from a weighted combination of the evaluations. The weighted combination is weighted based on the weights. Certain embodiments of the invention can help to facilitate group decision making allowing respective users to be geographically separated and to provide input at different times. Organizations may use certain embodiments of the invention to inform members regarding decisions and thereby increase buy-in.